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Re:

Continuation-in-Part application of

U.S. Patent Appln. Serial No. 09/816,467

Title: IN VIVO MODULATION OF NEURONAL TRANSPORT Inventors: Sylvie ROUX, Philipe BRŬLET, Cécile SAINT CLOMENT,

Julien BARBIER, and Jordi MOLGÓ

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application:

- 1. Application 62 pages, including 4 independent claims and 36 claims total, and Abstract;
- 2. Drawings 12 pages, including Figs. 1-11;
- Cancel claims 1-31.

This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) as a continuation-in-part of copending application Serial No. 09/816,467, filed March 26, 2001. This application claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of U.S. application Serial Nos. 09/816,467, filed March 26, 2001, and 09/129,368, filed August 5, 1998, and claims priority of application Serial Nos. 60/055,615, and 60/065,236, filed on August 14, 1997, and November 13, 1997, under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) as provisional applications. The entire disclosure of each of these applications is relied upon and incorporated by reference herein.



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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and paying the filing fee.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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